

Minutes of a Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Riverhead, held in the Town Hall, Riverhead, New York, on Tuesday, September 7, 1976, at 7:30 P.M.

Present:

Allen M. Smith, Supervisor
George G. Young, Councilman
Francis E. Menendez, Councilman
John Lombardi, Councilman
Jessie Tomlinson, Councilwoman

Also present: Peter S. Danowski, Jr., Town Attorney
Absent: Alex E. Horton, Supt. of Highways

Supervisor Smith called the Meeting to Order at 7:30 P.M. and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

He then stated as follows: "Good evening, Ladies and Gentlemen, we have a different kind of Agenda this evening. Miss Gieffers is with us, who has been responsible for that particular side of the room being covered by the paper, over there, for the last two months. She and several young men, two of whom are from the Community, have worked very diligently over the past year, designing, redesigning and finally painting a mural for the Town Hall and it's on the wall.

Some of you that have been here, saw the earlier sketches that were then approved by the Town Board and Miss Gieffers, we're ready for an unveiling. Would you like to say a few words?"

Miss Alessandra Gieffers (inaudible)

Martin Sendlewski thanked the Town Board for letting them use the wall for the mural, Mr. Shaffran and Mr. Kaiser for their support and last, but not least, Miss Gieffers for making it all possible.

The unveiling of the mural was done by Donald Staron, Jim Kowalsick and Martin Sendlewski.

Councilman Menendez offered the following resolution which was seconded by Councilman Young.

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Riverhead, held on July 20, 1976, the Special Town Board Meeting, held on July 23, 1976, the Regular Town Board Meeting, held on August 3, 1976, the Special Town Board Meeting, held on August 6, 1976, the Regular Town Board Meeting, held on August 17, 1976, the Special Town Board Meeting, held on August 20, 1976 and the Special Town Board Meeting, held on August 31, 1976, be approved as submitted.

The vote, Lombardi, Yes, Tomlinson, Yes, Menendez, Yes, Young, Yes, and Smith, Yes.

The resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

REPORTSOPEN BID REPORT - Police Department Uniforms

After being duly advertised, the following Bid for POLICE DEPARTMENT UNIFORMS was opened by the Town Clerk, on Monday, August 30, 1976, at 11:00 A.M.:

Best Uniform Co., Inc.
18 West 18th Street
New York, N.Y. 10011

<u>ITEMS</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>PRICE PER ITEM</u>	<u>TOTAL PRICE</u>
Long Sleeve Shirts	58	\$13.25	\$ 768.50
Short Sleeve Shirts	51	8.35	425.85
Winter Pants	50	24.50	1225.00
Summer Pants	78	21.00	1638.00
Blouses	8	67.00	<u>536.00</u>
	Grand Total		<u>\$4593.35</u> Filed.

REPORTS

Building Department, month of August, 1976. Filed.

Police Department, month of August, 1976. Filed.

Highway Supt. - Estimate of Hurricane Clean-up Costs. Filed.

State of New York, Commission on Cable Television re Matter of Rates Charged by Cable Television Companies for "Auxiliary" Programming - Order Granting Declaratory Relief (Issued: August 30, 1976). Filed.

CLAIMS

a) Ruth Golding vs. Town of Riverhead - \$60,000. Filed.
Referred to Town Attorney, Insurance Broker and Supt. of Highways.

b) Second Notice of Claim of Albert M. Goldstein vs. Town of Riverhead - \$7,000,000. Filed.
Referred to Town Attorney, Insurance Broker and Supt. of Highways.

COMMUNICATIONS

Dept. of Transportation, dated 8-18-76, regarding request for speed investigation on Church Lane, Aquebogue, stating that they have recently completed a speed study on Church Lane and find that they are unable to recommend a lower speed at this time.

They further state that the existing roadside development along with the observed speed of vehicles using this road indicates that minimum requirements for a lower speed are not met.

COMMUNICATIONS - continued:

They conclude by saying that if development continues, area speed zone may be justified and requested they be kept informed. Filed.

Dept. of State, dated 8-27-76, acknowledging receipt of Local Laws Nos. 5 and 6 and stating that they have been placed on file in their office. Filed.

John Hohenberg, Aquebogue, to Fire Chief Antone Bugdin, expressing his deep gratitude to him and the members of the Riverhead Volunteer Fire Department for their prompt and skillful firefighting action that saved their 149 year old home in the midst of the hurricane early on the morning of August 10th.

He further states that both he and his wife might have suffered serious injury or even lost their lives, if it had not been for the Riverhead Volunteers. Filed.

Edward R. Munson stating that he has reviewed the receipts of monies due him in severance pay, in accordance with the CSEA Contract for 1975-76 and finds that the sum of \$347.32 (less deductions) is still due.

He further submitted an itemized accounting of checks received to date and monies due to date. Filed.

Riverhead Town Planning Board, dated 9-3-76, re Special Permit Application of Carol Sowinski, stating that the description of the industry as set forth in the petition is a non-nuisance industry.

They therefore recommend to the Town Board that the Special Permit application be granted to operate a Non-Nuisance Industry at Edgar Avenue, Aquebogue, New York. Filed.

Referred to Town Clerk for reply.

Riverhead Town Planning Board, dated 9-3-76, re Special Permit Application of Donald Fioto, stating that the parcel of land, described in the petition, has previously been operated as a gas service station.

They therefore recommend to the Town Board that the Special Permit application be granted to operate a Gas Service Station and Repair Shop at Marcy Avenue and West Main Street, Riverhead, New York. Filed.

Referred to Town Clerk for reply.

Hallock Luce 3rd, dated 9-2-76, stating that effective 2-5-74, residents of the Town of Riverhead were entitled to purchase National Flood Insurance.

COMMUNICATIONS - continued:

He further states that the local agents were entitled to sell the emergency plan, which at the time, allowed them to write a maximum limit of \$35,000 on a single residence, \$10,000 on the contents and up to \$100,000 on other classes of business.

He suggests that the Town make the required filings so that the residents will be entitled to the regular plan, under which they would be able to obtain much higher limits of coverage. Filed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a) Decision on Proposed Noise Ordinance No. 45 - Pending.
- b) Decision on Extending Riverhead Fire District and Dissolving Protection Districts - Decision will be rendered at the next Town Board Meeting on September 21, 1976.
- c) Decision on Amending Zoning Ordinance #26 re Signs - Decision pending until receipt of Sign Companies Committee report.

PERSONAL APPEARANCES

Supervisor Smith asked if anyone wished to be heard and the following responded:

Walter Kowalsick asked what buildings were depicted in the mural.

Miss Gieffers repeated what she said at the outset of the Meeting, so that it could be recorded.

She thanked the Town Board again for all their cooperation.

She then introduced Mr. and Mrs. Staron and Don Staron's wife, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sendlewski and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Kowalsick and asked for a round of applause for their support during the planning and painting of the mural.

She further recognized Mr. Marty De Pierro, Mrs. Aileen Carey and Mrs. Sherril Burns as being supportive of her, as an artist.

She went to explain that the mural was a composite of historical landmarks, farms and the Peconic River.

She concluded by saying that the two local boys were going to pursue their artistic interests in college.

Supervisor Smith stated that she left out Al Clark, the Clerk of the Works and Mr. Heinen, the Maintenance Man.

Miss Gieffers returned to the microphone and thanked them profusely, saying that she didn't want to leave anyone out.

Albert Smith, Suffolk County Council of Boy Scouts of America Camp at Baiting Hollow, spoke of his concern over the 200 campers that had to weather Hurricane Belle and expressed his appreciation to the Citizens of the Town of Riverhead and especially to the Town Officials for their concern for the welfare of the boys, by bringing them into Riverhead to house and feed them during the storm.

PERSONAL APPEARANCES - continued:

He then presented a certificate, which reads, as follows:
"To Allen M. Smith, Supervisor of the Town of Riverhead, for services above and beyond the call of duty in, before, during and following Hurricane Belle, the Suffolk County Council of Boy Scouts of America, takes great pleasure in awarding this certificate."

Supervisor Smith mentioned that Police Chief Palmer and his Department and Ken Ross, District Principal of Central School District #2, played a great part in the evacuation of the boys and although his name, alone, appeared on the certificate, he felt their's deserved to be there too.

Dr. Alfred Smith asked the status of the Iron Pier Boat Ramp.

Stan Grodski, Recreation Supt. explained that the permit has been issued by the Army Corps of Engineers, the Contractor will begin work on the ramp next week.

Jim Huzdovich, representing Peconic Estates Civic Association, stated that he was the Chairman of the Lake Conservation Committee and asked the status of a letter he had written to the Supervisor and Town Board in July, expressing his concern with the water level of Peconic Lake and the erosion problems, that are developing.

Supervisor Smith stated that the problem that he has encountered, appears to be, in part, occasioned by satisfying those people that live both on the Brookhaven side and on the Riverhead side in Upper Mills.

"It appears that for one reason or another, because of the type of dam that is there, where these boards slip in and out of a groove, that people add and subtract boards, either the fishermen because they want more water or you folks because you want less water.

It appears that probably the way to do it, is to install some sort of a gate, with a locking device, to regulate the flow. The question, of course, is at what level should the flow be set. Any suggestions?"

Mr. Huzdovich stated that the boards should be removed from November to May or better yet, from October to June and replaced during the fishing season from June to September.

Short discussion followed.

Paul Meyer asked how the Town was making out with the tow truck and how much money had been taken in, so far.

Police Chief Palmer stated that they had received \$1,000 to date.

Mr. Meyer asked if Supervisor Smith considered that amount to be successful.

PERSONAL APPEARANCES - continued:

Supervisor Smith stated that he wouldn't consider it a success by monetary standards, but rather by the actual alleviation of the parking problems at Edwards Avenue, Roanoke Landing, Iron Pier, etc.

Mr. Meyer asked if this venture was at the expense of the Town.

Supervisor Smith stated that the two young men who ran the tow truck were federally funded CETA employees.

Robert Donnelly, Little Bay Road, Wading River, spoke of the recent suggestion that the portion of Riverhead that is located within the Wading River-Shoreham School District be annexed into the Town of Brookhaven and asked if anything further had been done on the matter.

Supervisor Smith stated that he understood that the Town of Brookhaven was being asked to consider the very same proposition, that night.

He further stated that neither he nor the Town Board was wildly enthusiastic about the suggestion.

Mr. Donnelly urged the Town Board not to go any further with this suggestion, just to placate a few disgruntled residents, who are always complaining about taxes.

William Nohejl, Wading River, asked what procedure would have to be followed, if the annexation was to take place.

Supervisor Smith stated that if the suggestion ever got to first base, there would have to be a joint meeting between Brookhaven and Riverhead and joint resolutions.

Town Attorney, Peter S. Danowski, Jr. (inaudible)

Mr. Nohejl then asked the status of the Master Plan.

Supervisor Smith stated that there are several revisions that can and are being considered.

He further spoke of a joint meeting to be held soon with the Town Board, Planning and Zoning and Environmental Advisory Council to discuss these revisions.

Short discussion followed.

Mrs. Frank Sendlewski asked if the frame for the mural has been or will be approved

Supervisor Smith stated that they are trying to locate the man who did the wall work on the Town Hall in the first place, to finish off the edges of the mural.

RESOLUTIONS

Councilman Menendez offered the following resolution which was seconded by Councilman Young.

RESOLVED, That Richard J. Carey, Sr., be and he hereby is designated as the Town Board's appointee to the three-man arbitration panel and that he be paid One thousand and 00/100 (\$1,000.00) Dollars for his services in accordance with a letter-agreement between himself and the Town Board.

The vote, Lombardi, Yes, Tomlinson, Yes, Menendez, Yes, Young, Yes, and Smith, Yes.

The resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

Councilman Young offered the following resolution which was seconded by Councilman Menendez.

RESOLVED, That Frank S. Shefchick be and he hereby is hired to fill the position of Maintenance Man - Heating and Ventilation, at an annual salary of Nine thousand sixty-nine and 00/100 (\$9,069.00) Dollars, for a probationary period of six (6) weeks, to be automatically renewed hereby to a probationary period of six (6) months, effective September 7, 1976.

The vote, Lombardi, Yes, Tomlinson, Yes, Menendez, Yes, Young, Yes, and Smith, Yes.

The resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

Councilman Lombardi offered the following resolution which was seconded by Councilman Menendez.

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Bid for Police Department Uniforms, as follows:

58 Long Sleeve Shirts	@ \$13.25 each	\$ 768.50
51 Short Sleeve Shirts	@ \$ 8.25 each	425.85
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8 Blouses	@ \$67.00 each	<u>536.00</u>

Grand total \$4593.35

The vote, Lombardi, Yes, Tomlinson, Yes, Menendez, Yes, Young, Yes, and Smith, Yes.

The resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

Councilman Lombardi offered the following resolution which was seconded by Councilwoman Tomlinson.

RESOLVED, That the Supervisor be and he is hereby authorized to pay time and one-half overtime compensation to the following employees:

Sophie Waski	8-2-76 to 8-31-76	41Hrs. @ \$5.138	\$ 331.79
John Hansen	8-2-76 to 8-31-76	41Hrs. @ \$4.397	\$ 283.95

RESOLUTIONS - continued:

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the time report relating to aforesaid overtime, as submitted, be filed in the Office of the Town Clerk.

The vote, Lombardi, Yes, Tomlinson, Yes, Menendez, Yes, Young, Yes, and Smith, Yes.

The resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

Councilman Young offered the following resolution which was seconded by Councilman Menendez.

RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk of the Town of Riverhead be and is hereby authorized to advertise for Sealed Bids for Two (2) New 1976 One-Way Snow Plows for use of the Town of Riverhead Highway Department, and be it

RESOLVED, That specifications and forms for bidding be prepared by the Superintendent of Highways, and bids to be returnable up to 11:00 A.M. on Tuesday, September 21, 1976, and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be and is hereby designated to open publicly and read aloud on Tuesday, September 21, 1976, at 11:00 A.M., at the Town Clerk's Office, Town Hall, 200 Howell Avenue, Riverhead, New York, all Sealed Bids bearing the designation "Bid on Snow Plows".

The vote, Lombardi, Yes, Tomlinson, Yes, Menendez, Yes, Young, Yes, and Smith, Yes.

The resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

Councilman Lombardi offered the following resolution which was seconded by Councilman Menendez.

BE IT RESOLVED, That the following Police Officers, Sgt. Joseph Becht and Police Officer August Grossman, be authorized to attend a Supervisory School at The Nassau County Police Academy, Mineola, New York, from September 13, 1976 to September 29, 1976, and that all related expenses be paid by the Town.

The vote, Lombardi, Yes, Tomlinson, Yes, Menendez, Yes, Young, Yes, and Smith, Yes.

The resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

Councilwoman Tomlinson offered the following resolution which was seconded by Councilman Lombardi.

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Building Inspector be and is hereby authorized to attend the Building Inspectors' Association of Suffolk County a Course in Advance Lab & Field Testing Procedures #2-1977 for Building Officials, to be held at Suffolk Community College, Riverhead Building, Selden, New York, beginning September 7, 1976 to May, 1977, 8:00 P.M. to 10:00 P.M., Tuesdays. (14 Sessions) and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That all expenses in connection with the attendance at the School and the use of the Building Department automobile is hereby authorized.

RESOLUTIONS - continued:

The vote, Lombardi, Yes, Tomlinson, Yes, Menendez, Yes, Young, Yes, and Smith, Yes.

The resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

Councilwoman Tomlinson offered the following resolution which was seconded by Councilman Lombardi.

RESOLVED, That the Supervisor be and he hereby is authorized to transfer the sum of One hundred and Fifty 00/100 (\$150.00) Dollars from Federal Revenue Sharing, General to Federal Revenue Sharing, Capital Impound Area.

The vote, Lombardi, Yes, Tomlinson, Yes, Menendez, Yes, Young, Yes, and Smith, Yes.

The resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

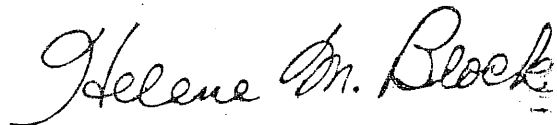
Councilwoman Tomlinson offered the following resolution which was seconded by Councilman Lombardi.

RESOLVED, That the Superintendent of Highways be and is hereby authorized to pay time and one-half compensation for Hurricane damage work and clean-up operations for a total of 235 hours overtime for a total of \$1,835.53, as per abstract submitted.

The vote, Lombardi, Yes, Tomlinson, Yes, Menendez, Yes, Young, Yes, and Smith, Yes.

The resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

There being no further business on motion and vote, the Meeting adjourned at 8:35 P.M., to meet on Tuesday, September 21, 1976, at 7:30 P.M.



HMB/mhj

Helene M. Block, Town Clerk